availability of Citizen Band sets at low cost can make the use of Citizen Band Radio under MPLADS more popular.

Development of Road Projects in Orissa with foreign aid programmes

*147. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Orissa has submitted a list of important road projects before the Central Government for their development with foreign aid;

(b) whether Government have examined those proposals;

(c) if so, the action initiated thereon so far;

(d) the present position with regard to obtaining foreign aid and assistance for those projects; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI M. RAJASEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Proposals have been received for improvement of State Roads in Orissa.

(c) to (e) World Bank has agreed to provide Project Preparation Facility (PPF) Loan for 802 kms length of roads in different parts of the State. However, the actual scope of the projects and the amount of loan will be finalised on the basis of the study of PPF. In addition, proposals for improvement of two State road projects, namely (i) Panikolli-Rajamundra Road; and (ii) Bhubaneswar-Puri road, have been shortlisted for posing for loan assistance to Overseen Economic Co-operation Fund of Japan.

Nuclear Tests by China and France

*148. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether China and France have lately conducted Nuclear tests; and

(b) what is Government's reaction thereto in the context of world peace, violation of the test ban treaty and reversal of the progress towards realisation of a nuclear weapon free world, an objective spelt out by India?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir. During 1995, China has conducted two underground tests and France has conducted four underground tests.

(b) In a statement issued on 15 September 1995, Government has expressed dismay over the recent nuclear tests and stated that they represent a serious setback to the ongoing negotiations for a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) and undermine its successful conclusion. Government has also, inter alia, expressed the hope that all countries will negotiate in good faith for a universal, comprehensive, non-discriminatory and effective CTBT as an important step towards nuclear disarmament and, meanwhile, refrain from actions contrary to the objectives of the CTBT.

Foreign investment in Food Processing Sector

*149. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of foreign investment approved in Food Processing Sector so far;

(b) the State-wise and Project-wise

details thereof; and

(c) the names of the companies and foreign investors who have invested in Food Processing Sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) to (c) During the post liberalisation period, i.e. from July 1991 to October 1995, foreign investment proposals worth a sum of Rs. 2755 Crores have been approved in the various sectors of food processing. The Statewise details of foreign investment approved are at Statement-I and the Sector-wise details of foreign investment approved are at Statement-II. (*See* below)

Prominent amongst the foreign investors are Kellog Co., USA; Pepsico Inc., USA; Mc-Donald Corporation, USA; Pizza Hut International, Hongkong; Seagram Co. Ltd., Canada; United Distillers, U.K.; Niram Walker Group, U.K.; Heinz Italia, Italy; KFC, Hongkong; Mars Incorporated, USA; Wm Wrigley, USA; Perfetti Spa, Italy C.P. Aquaculture, Thailand; Fosters Brewing Group, Australia; and Cargil South Asia Ltd., USA.

Statement-I

State-wise Details of Foreign Investment Approved up to October, 1995 in the Various Sectors of Food Processing Industries

(Rs. in crores)

S. No.	State	Foreign equity investment approved
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	157
2.	Assam	1
3.	Bihar	1
4.	Gujarat	96
5.	Haryana	44
6.	Himachal Pradesh	92
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	—
8.	Karnataka	45
9.	Kerala	27
10.	Madhya Pradesh	25
11.	Maharashtra	481
12.	Manipur	—
13.	Meghalaya	—
14.	Nagaland	—
15.	Orissa	1
16.	Punjab	222
17.	Rajasthan	23
18.	Tamil Nadu	444
19.	Tripura	1
20.	Uttar pradesh	228
21.	West Bengal	11
22.	Sikkim	—
23.	Andman Nikobar	1
24.	Arunachal Pradesh	—
25.	Chandigarh	1
26.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	—
27.	Delhi	—
28.	Daman & Diu	—
29.	LM & A Islands	—
30.	Mizoram	—
31.	Pondicherry	—
32.	Goa	27
33.	Locations not specified/units in more than one location	827
	TOTAL:	2755

Statement-II

Sectorwise details of Foreign investment approved upto Oct. 1995 in the various Sectors of Food Processing

(Rs. in Crores)

Sl. No.	Sector	Foreign Equity Investment Approved
1.	Grain Milling & Grain based Products	317
2.	Fruits & Vegetable Products	333
3.	Meat & Poultry Processing	292
4.	Deep Sea Fishing, Fish Processing & Aquaculture	539
5.	Alcoholic Beverages	222

Sl. No.	Sector	Foreign Equity Investment Approved
6.	Consumer Industry including Soft Drinks/ Waters/Confectionery etc.	735
7.	Milk & Milk Products	217
8.	Other including Food additives, Flovours etc.	100
	TOTAL:	2755

Frequencies of the Citizen Band Radio Provided to MPs

*150. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the frequencies to the Citizen Band Radio which are available for giving under the MPs Local Area Development schemes;

(b) what is the manner in which this will operate; and

(c) in which manner this scheme can be implemented by the Members of Parliament in order to make wireless more popular and useful in schools, colleges and in rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) In the Citizen Band frequency range of 26957 KHz to 27283 KHz, 40 specific frequency channels have been earmarked for different communications needs, including those for rural areas and emergency communications. These frequency chennels are channel 1 on frequency 26964.0 KHz to Channel 40 on frequency 27276.0 KHz, at 8 KHz interval.

(b) Citizen Band sets can provide short-range communication, generally for voice communication. Such sets require licensing from Ministry of Communications and the procedure for use of Citizen Band sets has been simplified.

(c) The Members of Parliament can utilise the funds available to them under the MPLADS to facilitate procurement and installation of Citizen Band Radio sets in schools, colleges and rural areas to demonstrate the usefulness of wireless communication for meeting various communication needs.

Amendment to Haj Act

*151. SHRI MOHAMMAD AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amendment of Haj act is under active consideration of Government;

(b) if so, what is the present state of consideration; and

(c) by when the amending Bill is proposed to be introduced in Parliament on the subject?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Government have been considering the question of introducing new legislation in replacement of the Haj Committee Act (No. 51) of 1959.

(b) and (c) The legislative proposals to be incorporated in the Bill are under active consideration and the new Bill would be introduced after all aspects have been examined.

Measures to check crimes in Delhi

*152. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI O.P. KOHLI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the reports published in the 'Hindustan Times' and the 'Indian Express' dated the 18th and 19th November, 1995 captioned 'Gruesome